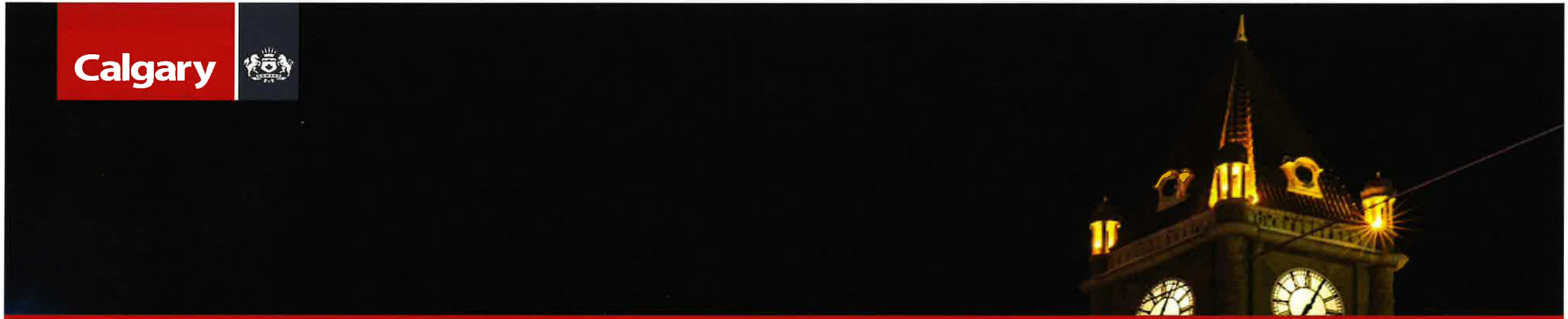

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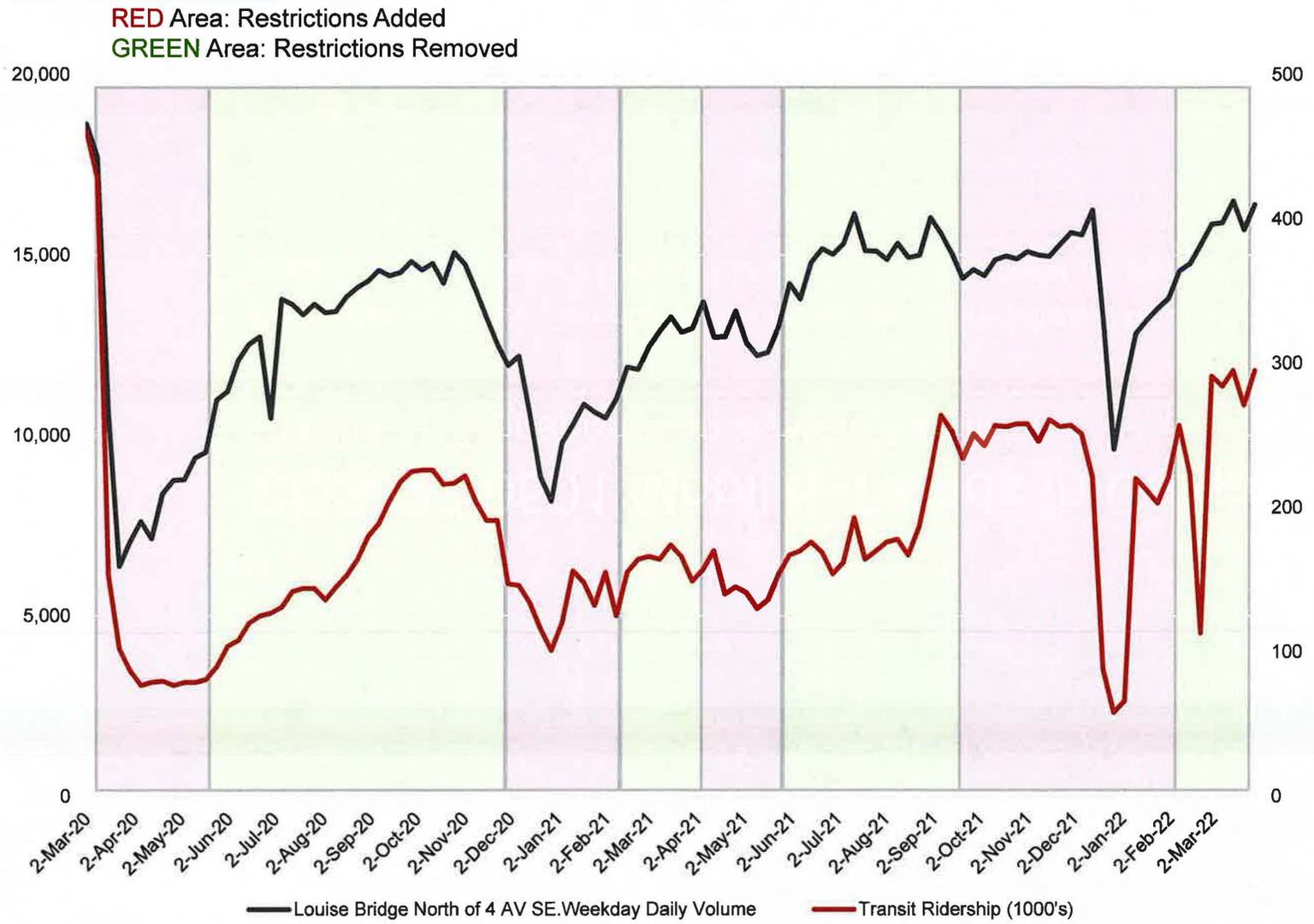
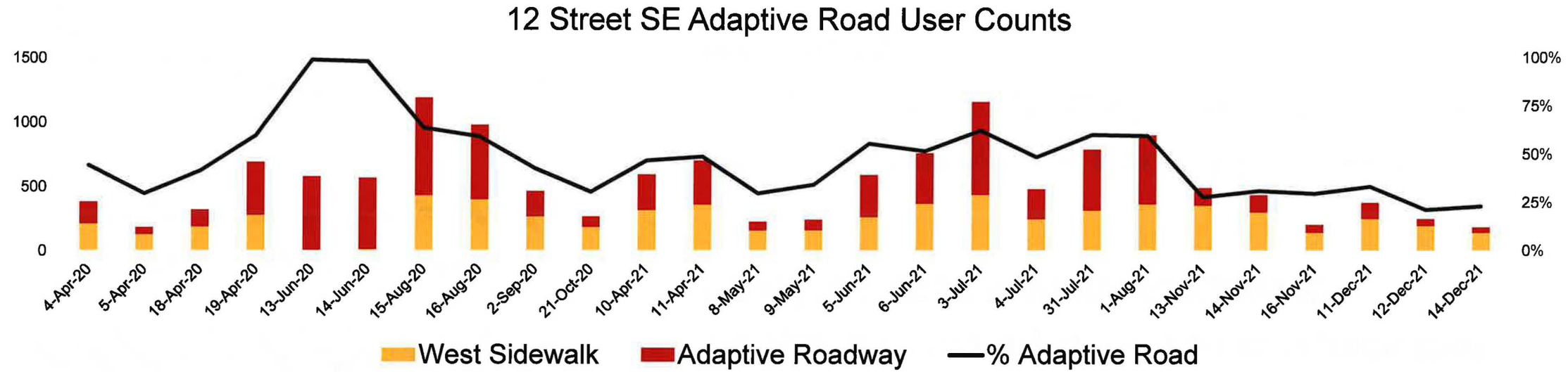
Travel volumes and public health restrictions



- Travel restrictions led to reduced travel across the city.
- This effect was more pronounced in transit ridership.
- The most recent set of restrictions did not have as much influence on travel as previous restrictions.

Adaptive Road Program



- Adaptive road program began in response to crowding on pathways earlier in the pandemic.
- The program continues to be popular across the city.
- Even in the winter, around 20% of active users continue to use the adaptive roadway.

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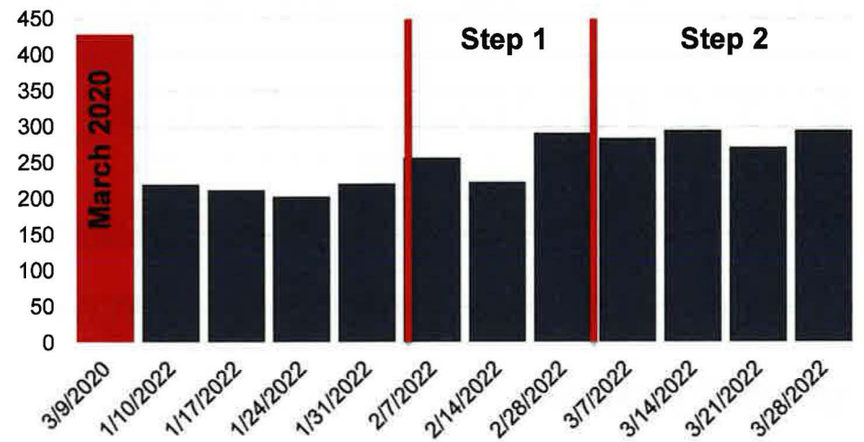
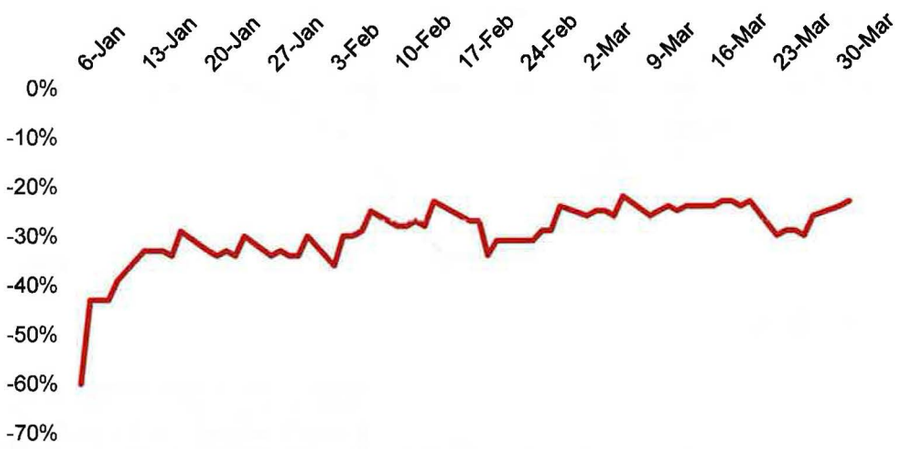
Transit Ridership

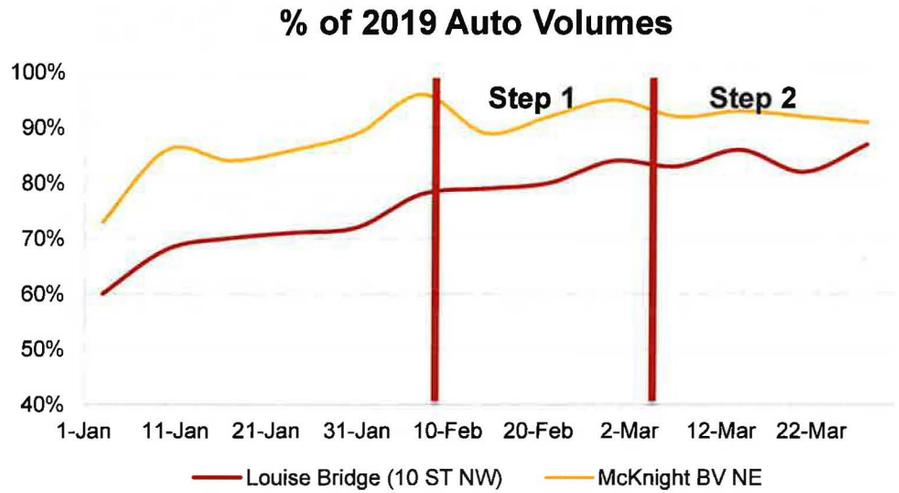


Travel Activity at Transit Stations



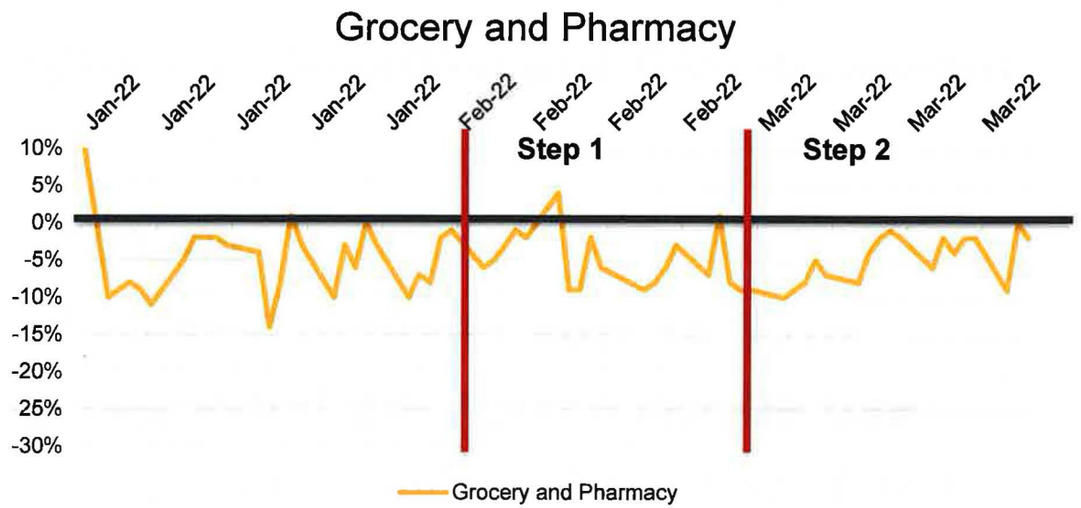
- Transit ridership has remained consistent since the easing of restrictions began in February.
- Google community data also suggests that travel to transit stations remains low.
- Access Calgary trips are still low compared with pre-pandemic conditions but have been increasing.

Downtown and Work Travel



- Travel to workplaces has been increasing and is 20% lower than pre-pandemic levels
- Travel to downtown is also increase as travel along the Louise Bridge has increased to about 85% of 2019 volumes.
- Parking downtown has also increased suggesting an increase in activity in the core.

Travelling About Calgary – Google Community Data



- Retail and recreation activity is within 10% of the baseline established in February 2020.

- Activity to grocery and pharmacy locations has essentially return to pre-pandemic levels and are currently about 5% of baseline.